REGULATION III TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANT CONTROL RULES

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Preface

The Tanner Toxics Act established the California toxic air contaminant control program (AB18078), California Health & Safety Code section 39666, et seq.), to identify and control toxics air contaminants. Under the Tanner Act (AB 1807) the California Air Resources Board (CARB) is required to identify a substance as a TAC based on the review of the scientific data and the recommendations by both the Office of Environmental and Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) and the Scientific Review Panel (SRP). After designation, CARB investigates appropriate measures to limit emissions of the TACs. These measures may include, but not necessarily be limited to, emission limitations, control technologies, operation and maintenance requirements, closed systems engineering, cost, or substitution of compounds. CARB then prepares a report on the appropriate degree of regulation and adopts Air Toxic Control Measures (ATCMs). These control measures are the minimum regulations that must be imposed by each of the California local air districts in the form of regulations. Each California local air district must adopt rules that are at least as stringent as those Administrative Regulations adopted by CARB. Toward this end, the following rules are adopted and are at least or more restrictive than the CARB Air Toxic Control Measures.